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> Re: New U.S. Continuation-In-Part Patent Application

Title: DIRECT DYE COMPOSITION FOR THE HAIR,

COMPRISING A CROSSLINKED POLYMER CONTAINING ACRYLIC UNITS AND C₁₀-C₃₀ ALKYL ACRYLATE UNITS

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We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. Application - 65 pages, including title page, abstract, 4 independent claims and 27 claims total.
- A check for \$894.00 representing a \$690.00 filing fee and \$204.00 for additional 2. claims.
- 3. An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO 1449 form listing 31 references.

This application is a continuation-in-part of prior application Serial No. 09/068,964, filed May 20, 1998, which is a U.S. National Phase Application of PCT/FR97/0085, filed under 35 U.S.C. §371 on May 20, 1997. This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b).

Applicant claims the right to priority under 35 U.S.C. 119 of application Serial No. 96/06430, filed May 23, 1996 in France.





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Please accord this application a serial number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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